

## GREAT MEETING FOR EDUCATION

Columbia Thronged With Visitors From All Sections of the South.

OGDEN AND DENNY SPEAK

Governor Heyward Extends Warm Welcome to Conference. Programme for To-day.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
COLUMBIA, S. C., April 26.—What is declared generally to be the greatest educational meeting in South Carolina's history, began its three days' session in a packed and crowded Opera House at 9 o'clock, when Governor Heyward announced the opening of the Conference for Education in the South.

The attendance is very large. The beautiful city is thronged with teachers and school officials from all parts of South Carolina and many others from North Carolina and nearby States. The special train, bearing President Ogden and ninety invited guests of his, from New York, Washington, Boston, Philadelphia and other Northern cities, arrived three hours late. It was met by an immense crowd at the station. The members of the party were taken as honored guests by local committees to private houses of leading citizens and State officials.

Every train coming into the city brings visitors to the conference. Preparations and arrangements have been systematically and excellently made for the accommodation of all.

**Governor's Welcome.**  
At the opening session to-night, Governor Heyward extended a warm welcome to the members of the conference. He was repeatedly applauded.

Speaking of what the South is doing for education, he said:

"I believe that the educators of the South have accomplished more during the past forty years for the education of the masses and for higher education than has ever been accomplished by any people in the same length of time. No people have ever worked so well, especially under the same difficult ends, and the work you have been accredited local support by their people. Teachers and school boards in their days of prosperity, the taxpayers of the South have shown a willingness and adhere to tax themselves to support schools, not only for their own children—the white children of the South—but also for the children of the colored race. The progress of the South has been a happy and prosperous people—aye, in smiling fields and growing cities—the result of their courage and determination."

**Address by President Ogden.**  
Mr. Robert C. Ogden, president of the conference, responded in a happy vein reviewing the accomplished work of the body and detailing its origin, plans and progress.

In opening Mr. Ogden spoke at some length on the objects and history of the conference. Although this conference, he said, has no organic relation to any educational body of authority, yet has a very deep community of interest with the Southern Education Board, the General Education Board and in a lesser degree with the Board of Trustees of the Peabody Fund, the Board of Trustees of the Slater Fund. These several boards are so thoroughly coordinated and sympathetic that every facility created by any of them is made of each and the commonage of all so perfect that waste by duplication or competition is impossible. The work of these boards and funds having been briefly dealt with, the speaker spoke of what had been accomplished.

The leadership of the child that we follow here, he said, inspiring this great company more than curiosity, possible interest in social fellowship, is the interest in the child. And it was just the preparation of this pervasive influence that awaited the advent of the new movement for education which was unfolded in the triple alliance of the conference and the two boards.

The movement came at the psychological moment. Throughout this South, and isolated and lonely, many able, thoughtful, well informed and solitary souls were brooding over the need of the child, and with the perception of need was associated a conscious helplessness and vague, indefinite hopefulness. Nor was this condition of mind solely confined to the isolated and obscure. Men of large public mind and affairs, women solely prominent, public both equally anxious and sadly doubtful. Here a voice had been raised, there a little effort had started, and beyond this the movement was beginning both pervasion and provision. Then came the awakening of the earnest and followed an awakening of the earnest and

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anxious thinkers. A strength of association was promptly created. Symptoms of many sorts indicated the educational epiphany that has commanded the admiration and respect of educators throughout the land, the encouragement of progressive citizens, the interest of statesmen. Certain facts may be briefly outlined. Local taxation for education has made great progress, notably in Alabama, South Carolina, North Carolina and Tennessee. The constitution of the State of Georgia has been so amended as to facilitate local taxation for education. The increase of public appropriations both through States and the local tax, for education, has aggregated many millions of dollars.

#### Great Progress Made.

New school houses, hundreds, perhaps thousands have replaced others that were lacking in comfort, space and equipment. Hundreds of inadequate schools have been consolidated and transportation has been supplied to scholars that have been incommenced by the changed conditions. School terms have been greatly lengthened, the qualifications of teachers improved, and compensation increased to meet the longer term and better service.

Laws against nepotism in educational patronage have been passed and thus a beginning has been made in the removal of a corrupt and debasing influence upon the education. This is an incident in the divorce of public education from politics, an end most devoutly to be desired. Perhaps the most encouraging single element of progress is found in the formation of local and State organizations of citizens and educators for the promotion of public interest in education. In the cities of Virginia large audiences of the best people have been assembled by the commission to wait upon the legislature, and in the country the needs of the children and whose tongues have been touched with the holy fire from the altar of public service. Such meetings have been held elsewhere with success and power. But Virginia's leadership is exceptional in persistence and thoroughness. No doubtful curiosity of suspicion lurks in the background; no academic seclusion, no intellectual superiority, no cloistered exclusiveness now divides higher from popular education in the South.

The true democracy of knowledge has asserted itself and the new ideals of the new age are accepted. The prepared material for the university of the future will increasingly be the product of the public high school and the world demand will be for men in ordinary vocations whose actions will be based upon thought. Thus, on either hand the university takes toll from progress and the popular claim made on college and university education is recognized. If the story of these States in matters of education during the last four years could be written in detail and read in the perspective of former years, it would have the charm of romance or fairyland. But the undone margin is so great that even at the present rate of progress years must pass before even an approximate ideal is reached. The task of giving to every child in this land, American or foreign born, a good English education, and the enactment and enforcement of compulsory education laws, must be filled. It is not within the proper scope of this discussion to propose a reply to the question thus raised. The issue is imminent. In the cause represented here a group of statesmen are enlisted, and to them is committed the preparation of a plan that will meet popular endorsement.

#### Dr. Denny Speaks.

The next speaker was Dr. Denny, president of Washington and Lee, which institution, he said with pride, had a part in the founding of this conference. Mr. Denny's subject was a "Southern Interpretation of the Conference," and he referred to the various criticisms which have been made by certain daily newspapers in the South. He said, among other things, that among the critics of the conference and its motives are to be found those who live in the past, who are the subjective mode, and "the man who would stir the ashes of an ancient feud," and who would dig up the bones of the dead past. Dr. Denny discussed the personnel of the conference, expressing the belief that if the character of the men and women composing it is high, then it cannot be bad. He paid a high tribute to the men of the South and the men of the North who compose it, referring to "Governors of States and patriotic private citizens, heads of great universities and humble school teachers, clergymen of many communions, statesmen of all parties, physicians, lawyers, bankers, reporters, merchants, editors and authors, representatives of the heart and the hand of the country united in a great cause and serving a great ideal."

"From what ever point of view," he said, in closing, "this conference is considered, it is worthy of the hearty approval, and appreciation of thoughtful, patriotic men, and I can see no ground for difference between a Northern and Southern interpretation of its mission and its destiny. For it stands approved and justified by the acts of the three States which we have endeavored to apply, tests by which we judge the value of all human agencies and human institutions. It must and will stand approved and justified in any and every fair judgment based upon authentic facts, whether that judgment be formed in the North or in the South."

#### Reception at Capitol.

At the conclusion of the meeting at the theatre, the attendants at the conference were given a reception in the State Capitol. The entire capitol was thrown open to the visitors, the reception being held in the two houses of the Legislature which were formally tendered the city of Columbia for this purpose at the last session. These rooms were most exquisitely decorated with flowers and overgreens and the reception was one of the most brilliant that has ever taken place in this city.

To-morrow morning the students of South Carolina will give a reception to the visitors and be addressed by President Ogden, President Seth Low, of Columbia University, New York, and President Alderman, of the University of Virginia.

The morning session of the conference to-morrow will be given up to the meeting of the State Superintendents of Education, a number of whom from the Southern States are already in the city. Others will arrive to-night and in the morning. To-morrow night among the speakers will be Hon. Seth Low, of New York; Superintendent W. H. Hand, of Chester, S. C., and Dr. J. H. Phillips, of Birmingham.

#### POLITICS AT LAW.

##### Injunction Against Democratic Executive Committee of Raleigh.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
RALEIGH, N. C., April 26.—Judge Fred Moore to-day issued a temporary injunction against the Democratic Executive Committee of Raleigh, which has served for the past two years, and insists that under any further official action, the injunction being on application by counsel for the new committee named in the city primaries Tuesday. The hearing is set for Friday.

The old committee called the first primary Easter Monday and, besides failing to nominate Mayor, police justice and tax collector, there has developed a contest over the nomination of Aldermen in the Fourth Ward. G. W. Goodwin claiming the nomination over Sherwood Upchurch. The new Executive Committee is favorable to Upchurch, and insists that under the plan of organization they have jurisdiction to hear and pass on the contest. The old committee favors Goodwin, and insists that they still have jurisdiction as to results and contests growing out of the primary.

#### OBITUARY.

##### JAMES R. CURT DEAD.

Secretary of State of Texas Passes Away After Long Illness.

(By Associated Press.)  
AUSTIN, TEXAS, April 26.—James R. Curt, Secretary of State, died to-day after an illness extending over several years, tuberculosis being his ailment.

##### Benjamin P. Taylor.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
KING AND QUEEN CO., N. Y., April 26.—Benjamin P. Taylor, for more than thirty years clerk of the courts of this county, died yesterday afternoon at his residence, 101 E. 10th St., near Centre Cross, in Essex county.

Mr. Taylor was in his eighty-fifth year. He was widely known and greatly beloved. He will be buried at this place Thursday afternoon at three o'clock.

##### J. Wade Adams.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
OPATHAM, VA., April 26.—J. Wade Adams, of Pittsylvania, died at his home, near Churchman Tuesday afternoon, from double pneumonia, after a short illness. He was about thirty years old and a substantial farmer and citizen.

His widow and one child survive him. The funeral will be held at his home Wednesday afternoon, with Masonic honors.

##### Mrs. G. E. Cole.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
FREDERICKSBURG, VA., April 26.—Mrs. George E. Cole, an estimable Christian lady of this city, died at her home to-day after an illness of several weeks, of pneumonia, aged forty-two years. She was a member of the Baptist Church, and is survived by her husband, two sons and one daughter, one brother, Colonel T. D. Cole, and two sisters, Mrs. W. N. Tansill, of this city, and Mrs. Jennie Leary, of Quantico.

##### In Memoriam.

Entered into eternal life December 12, 1904, ELIZABETH HUDSON WILSON, daughter of Colonel John Hudson and Malinda Cole Wilson, of Prince Edward county, Va. So long she was a beloved member of my own household, and I count one of my greatest privileges to have known and been honored with the love of such a perfect gentlewoman. The life of one so devoted and pure has left its influence on all with whom she was surrounded, and I can never cease to miss her gentle presence. She has fought the good fight; she has finished her course; she has been faithful unto death; and now has received the promised crown of life.

##### DEATHS.

ALLISON.—Died, Monday, April 24, 1905, at 7 P. M., at the residence of her son-in-law, Richard Dyer, Mrs. MARY A. ALLISON. Funeral from First Baptist Church (colored) at 3:30 THIS AFTERNOON.

LAWRENCE.—Died, very suddenly, Wednesday, April 26, 1905, at 4 P. M., ROBERT WAVERLY LAWRENCE, in the thirty-fifth year of his age. The remains were taken to his brother's, Mr. W. Lawrence, 414 N. Twenty-sixth Street. He leaves mother and father, and three brothers.

MELVIN.—Died, at her residence, No. 837 North First Street, April 26, 1905, at 11 o'clock A. M., BRIDGET MELVIN. Funeral will take place from St. Peter's Church, at 10 o'clock, THURSDAY MORNING, at 10 o'clock. No flowers.

SULLIVAN.—Died, at his residence, 504 North Twenty-sixth Street, MICHAEL A. SULLIVAN, aged sixty-seven years. He leaves a wife, two daughters and one son to mourn their loss. His funeral will take place FRIDAY MORNING at 10 o'clock, with requiem mass, from St. Patrick's Church. Relatives and relatives invited to attend. Request no flowers.

## A. C. L. ABOUT TO GET L. & N. LEASE

Reported Yesterday That Preliminary Papers Have Already Been Signed.

### OFFICIALS WILL NOT TALK

Basis for Transaction Is Guarantee of Dividend of 7 Per Cent.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
NEW YORK, April 26.—It was given out in Wall Street this afternoon that preliminary papers had been signed for the leasing of the Louisville and Nashville to the Atlantic Coast Line on a guarantee of a 7 per cent. dividend.

The Louisville and Nashville now pays dividends at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum against 6 per cent. in the years 1901-'04, inclusive, 4 per cent. in 1905, 3 1/2 per cent. in 1906, and nothing in the five preceding years. The Atlantic Coast Line purchased \$30,000,000 of the Louisville and Nashville's \$50,000,000 stock from J. P. Morgan & Company in 1902. They bought it from the Cash-Hawley pool, who had purchased it at much lower prices on the open market. The purpose of guaranteeing a 7 per cent. dividend has been reported in Wall Street ever since Louisville's advance this season from 134 1/2 to 150. The stock sold up to 150 1/4 to-day, but broke sharply when the afternoon reports were circulated. Atlantic Coast Line stock fell to-day from 153 1/4 to 150 1/2. It stood at 150 1/4 last week and has been as low as 120 this year.

The statement that preliminary papers had been signed for the lease first caused the Louisville and Nashville's price to drop from 153 1/4 to 150 1/2 at about 2 o'clock. Then both stocks became strong again, advancing to the highest prices of the day in the last hour.

Much of the buying of these stocks, which has been extended over a week, was first begun to move upwards, has been by banking interest who presumably had knowledge as to what was going on.

#### Advantages of Lease.

The Atlantic Coast Line, which controls the Louisville and Nashville, has been anxious for some time to get a satisfactory basis for guaranteeing Louisville and Nashville dividends so that the surplus over dividends could go into the Coast Line treasury.

On a 7 per cent. basis Atlantic Coast Line could derive from 7 per cent. to 8 per cent. profit because Louisville and Nashville is now making at least 15 per cent. on its stock.

The Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis Railroad, which is earning about 9 per cent. on its stock, is controlled in turn by Louisville and Nashville. The advantage to Atlantic Coast Line in such an arrangement on the present basis of earnings would be great enough to make it a desirable proposition. The advance in the market price of the stock, the statement that Atlantic Coast Line had definitely decided to guarantee 7 per cent. on Louisville and Nashville is premature as matters stand at present. They will, however, stand as a tribute to the value of the men who fought under the Stars and Bars, but stand as a tribute to the value of the men who fought under the Stars and Bars.

He concluded as follows: "It is our duty to remember in love and gratitude the devotion and sacrifices of the Confederate soldiers. We should do this not only as those who believed in the principles for which he fought, but as Americans. His valor, as well as that of the Union soldier, is the common heritage of all Americans. Though we were divided forty years ago, to-day we are united, and united forever. The unanimous action of Congress in restoring to the various Southern States the Confederate flags that were in possession of the government and the universal approval of this action by the people of every section of the country, attest the fact of a complete reunion of our people. Just a century before the War between the States, Canada was in a throes of a civil strife and in September, 1755, there was fought on the plains of Abraham, near the city of Quebec, a memorable battle. It was the culmination of the great conflict between the French and British for supremacy in Canada. The French were led by the heroic Montcalm, and the English by the dauntless Wolfe. Fifty years afterward the Canadian government erected near this battlefield a monument to the memory of these two brave leaders and placed thereon this beautiful inscription:

"Valor gave them a common death, history a common fame, and posterity a common monument."

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"Three years ago I stood at the base of the Montcalm and Wolfe monument and as I looked upon this splendid tribute of a reunited people to the memory of their common and heroic past, I thought of the glorious past of my own loved country, and in my heart sprang up the dream and the hope that some day there would stand upon the nation's capital a monument worthy of the nation's first moment of rising sun and would gather its last lingering kiss as it sinks behind the west. At its base in heroic mould would stand the forms of Lee and Grant, hand clasped to hand, the surtitles of the bond that gave peace to our divided country, the sponsors of our second birth of our degenerated and indissoluble union."

#### MEMORIAL DAY.

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(By Associated Press.)

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### MEMORIAL DAY IN GEORGIA

Exercises Held at Number of Places and Addresses Delivered.

(By Associated Press.)

LA GRANGE, GA., April 25.—Governor Jos. M. Terrell, of Georgia, delivered the Memorial Day address in this city to-day. After speaking of the origin of Confederate Memorial Day and paying a tribute to the heroic dead of both Confederate and Federal forces, he referred to the monuments that have been erected by Southern people to Confederate heroes. "These monuments," Governor Terrell declared, "not only emblazon the glory of the men who fought under the Stars and Bars, but stand as a tribute to the value of the men who fought under the Stars and Bars."

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#### Jacksonville.

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#### Montgomery.

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MONTGOMERY, ALA., April 26.—Memorial Day was observed in Montgomery to-day. Confederate veterans and the State in entry cavalry and artillery were represented, as was the Daughters of the Confederacy. Judge J. M. Carnichael, president of the State Convict Board, orator of the day. The weather was perfect.

#### Virginia Lands Wanted.

Commissioner of Agriculture G. W. Koser continues to receive inquiries from Virginians for lands and mineral properties, orchards and timber lands, and is sending the inquirers all information he has at hand and placing them in direct communication with owners of such properties. Among the inquiries received yesterday at the Department of Agriculture were the following:  
R. W. Clark, Elton Valley, Pa., wants farm in King William and Halifax counties.  
J. C. Sparks, Concord, Neb., farm in the central part of the State.  
Charles P. Schultz, No. 714 N. Street, Danville, Ill., locates in southern part of the State.  
Saffley & Dargert, Holstein, Ill., wants to locate some hundreds in Virginia.  
A. E. Van Golden, Aviston, Wis., inquiry about farming and stock raising.  
E. P. Williams, No. 503 Myrtle Avenue, Bridgeport, Conn., wants to grow apples in this State.  
Paul Berghmans, No. 80 Washington Square, New York, information about Virginia.

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